



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/978,515

Confirmation No.: 5049

First Named Inventor: Richard N. Zare

Filing Date: October 15, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1723

Examiner: Ernest G. Therkorn

Atty. Docket No.: STNB.066US1

Title: Bonded Phase Photopolymerized Sol-Gel Column And Associated Methods

Assignee: The Board of Trustees of the Leland Stanford Junior University

GROUP 1700

MAY 22 2003

RECEIVED

Certificate of Mailing Under 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope address to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on 5/20/03

Signature Galeen Bower

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandra, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a five-month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action mailed November 26, 2002, such extension allowing the undersigned until Monday, May 26, 2003 (National holiday), which extends to Tuesday, May 27, 2003 to respond.

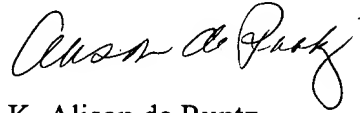
05/22/2003 MBLANCO 00000007 09978515

01 FC:1255

1970.00 0P

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$1,970.00 for the fee for an extension of time
(five-month) as set forth in the enclosed transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,



K. Alison de Runtz
Attorney of Record
Reg. No. 37,119

PARSONS HSUE & DE RUNTZ LLP
655 Montgomery Street
Suite 1800
San Francisco, CA 94111
(415) 318-1160
(415) 693-0194 (Fax)